

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

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May 20, 2003

FROM: **DAVID H. SLAUGHTER**, Director
Real Estate Services Department

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Architecture and Engineering Department

**SUBJECT: UTILITY EASEMENTS ON COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY IN SAN
BERNARDINO**

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Find that granting easements on County-owned property (APNs 0147-081-06 and 0273-091-09) at the former County Medical Center site (CMC) in San Bernardino to Southern California Edison Company (SCE) at no cost for construction and maintenance of underground electrical equipment and transmission lines will not substantially conflict or interfere with the use of the property by the County.
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to execute the Grants of Easement.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On July 2, 2002, the Board approved a contract for the construction of a new Department of Behavioral Health Phoenix Outpatient Clinic Building (Clinic). The Clinic, located at the former CMC, is currently under construction. On February 25, 2003, the Board approved re-advertising for competitive bids to construct the new Juvenile Dependency Court and Department of Children's Services (JDC/DCS) building also to be constructed at the former CMC.

On April 1, 2003, the Board approved and executed Amendment No. 2 to the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions; Declaration of Conditions, Covenants, and Restrictions; and a grant deed to convey 12 acres of the CMC site to the San Bernardino City Unified School District (District). Escrow closed on May 6, 2003.

In order to provide electrical service to the Clinic and the JDC/DCS building, SCE will require two separate easements on County-owned property. Both easements are for the construction and maintenance of underground equipment necessary to transmit electricity to these County facilities. The strips of land described in the deeds do not encumber or affect the 12 acre site sold to the District.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This item has been reviewed by Architecture and Engineering Department (Frank Law, Chief Building Construction Engineer) on April 14, 2003; County Counsel (Charles S. Scolastico, Deputy County Counsel) on May 12, 2003; and the County Administrative Office (Daniel R. Kopp and Lynn Chacon, Administrative Analysts) on May 12, 2003.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT: There is no cost associated with the granting of these easements.

COST REDUCTION REVIEW: The County Administrative Office has reviewed this agenda item, concurs with the department's and Real Estate Services Department's proposal, and recommends this action based on the need for electrical service to County facilities.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS: Fifth

PRESENTER: David H. Slaughter, Director, 7-7813

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